

CITY OF NORTH BEND
CITY COUNCIL
WORKSTUDY NOTES
May 26, 2015 – 7:00 p.m.
City Hall Conference Room, 211 Main Ave. N., North Bend, WA

Mayor Pro Tem Williamson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Councilmembers David Cook, Alan Gothelf, Ryan Kolodejchuk, Ross Loudenback, Jeanne Pettersen, Jonathan Rosen and Dee Williamson.

Staff Present: Mayor Ken Hearing, City Administrator Londi Lindell, Public Works Director Mark Rigos, Community & Economic Development Director Gina Estep, City Engineer Don DeBerg, and City Clerk Susie Oppedal.

Guests Present (by telephone): Jennifer McKeown, Program Manager, Mountains to Sound Greenway Trust.

Six Year Transportation Improvement Program 2016-2021

Public Works Director Rigos compared a draft version of the Six Year Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP) for 2016 – 2021 to the 2015 – 2020 Six Year TIP and noted major changes were as follows:

1. Move NBW/Park Street/Downing Avenue Roundabout construction from 2015 to 2017.
2. Move Tanner Trail, Phase 2 and 3 Right of Way Acquisition from Priority 5 (2015) to Priority 20 (2021).
3. Remove Bendigo/NW 4th Street Intersection Improvements for 3 Way Stop from TIP (similar project already on TIP).
4. Move NW 14th Street (between Bendigo and Boalch) Reconstruction up from Priority 22 (2020) to Priority 5 (2017).
5. Recommend increase in Pavement Overlay Program.

Council expressed concern about the following projects or areas of the City: 2nd Street Sidewalk Reconstruction and Storm Access, East North Bend Way/SE Tanner Road/SE 140th Street Intersection Reconfiguration, Thrasher Avenue, North Bend Way/Ballararat Signal and South Fork Avenue Extension – Bendigo to North Bend Way/8th Street – Nintendo Bypass.

Mayor Pro Tem Williamson recessed the meeting at 8:24 p.m. for a five minute break.

The meeting was called back to order at 8:30 p.m.

Discussion on MTSG's "Sno-Valley United" Effort

Community & Economic Development Director Estep reported Mountains to Sound Greenway (MTSG) approached stakeholders in the Snoqualmie Valley a few years ago about an effort to promote rural tourism in the valley and were now in the process of actively pursuing the effort.

Jennifer McKeown, Project Manager at MTSG, joined the discussion by telephone and elaborated on the details of the tourism effort. She stated the program was designed to bring together a broad section of the region's business owners and cities to work on a tourism and economic development strategy for the Snoqualmie Valley. She noted a workshop series was tentatively scheduled to begin in early 2016 for interested parties and would follow a similar setup to the Oregon Rural Tourism Studio Program with the end product being a fifteen year tourism vision for the valley. Ms. McKeown added a facilitator would need to be hired for the workshop series.

After discussion, Council consensus was to not join the effort at this time.

Adjournment

The workstudy closed at 9:01 p.m.

ATTEST:

Dee Williamson, Mayor Pro Tem

Susie Oppedal, City Clerk